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Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards

Commission Resolution 2022-03
Resolution to Honor Van Buren County Sheriff's Office
Deputy James Lear
And Extend Public Safety Officer Benefits

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards is the duly appointed body of state government providing for the training and licensure of Michigan Law Enforcement Officers; and,

WHEREAS, James Lear proudly served as a Deputy for the Van Buren County Sheriff's Office; and, serving honorably for the department and,

WHEREAS, Deputy James Lear was a dedicated public servant who performed his duties in a manner that has brought honor to the entire law enforcement profession; and,

WHEREAS, Deputy James Lear has demonstrated commitment and care in the exercise of his duties and was an eager protector of the public, demonstrated by his commitment to public service to the Citizens of the State of Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, Deputy James Lear passed away on December 10, 2021 from complications as the result of contracting COVID-19 while working for the Van Buren County Sheriff's Office; and,

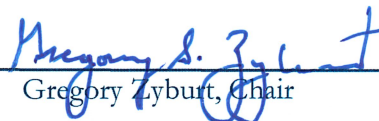
WHEREAS, Deputy James Lear, devoted to his family, was happily married to his wife, Tricia, and was a proud father of Toby, Kaileigh, Erich and Caleb; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, on behalf of all Michigan public safety officers, expresses profound sympathy to the family, fellow police officers, friends, and loved ones of Deputy James Lear; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards pay their highest tribute to the service and sacrifice of Van Buren County Sheriff's Office Deputy James Lear; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all eligible benefits provided through the Public Safety Officer Benefits Act shall be extended to the survivors of Deputy James Lear.

Unanimously adopted by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards on February 16, 2022.



Gregory Zybert, Chair